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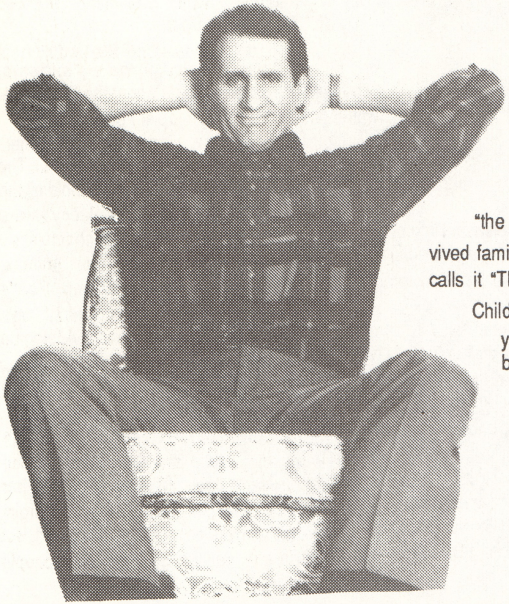
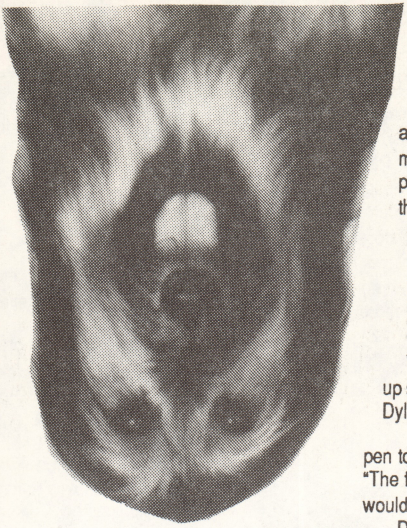
MARRIED WITH CHILDREN

"Married With Children" is the highest-rated show on the Fox network. Because it captures the perfect American Family. Al Bundy works in a shoe store at the Mall. Peg Bundy uses credit cards well but can't make instant coffee. Kelly dates the football team. And Bud is always underfoot, like the dog, just uglier.

Each of the half-hour sitcom's three seasons have been better, raunchier, more cont[illegible]profitable than the last. "People almost feel cool watching the show," says 17-year-old Christina Applegate, who plays the Brazen, peroxided adolescent Kelly Bundy. "It's become quite a cult thing. People have 'Married With Children Parties' and they won't leave their houses on Sunday Evening. It gets kind of obsessive. It's hilarious."



The Wall Street Journal calls it "the deliberate antithesis of the revived family sitcoms of the 80's." People calls it "The anti-Cosbys." Married With Children is the Grime in the Corner of your bathroom that you can't be bothered to clean; it's the Tupperwear bowl of leftover tomato sauce molding in your fridge; it's the day you go without a shower, letting your hair get greasy, just because you



feel like it. It's all the unpleasant moments you forget, the moments prime time edits out to make room for Jiff Peanut Butter Commercials.

"No other network would let us do some of the things Fox lets us do," says O'Niel. "Like the show when a mouse chewed through the electrical wire and all the lights went out, and I said 'Stand back, I'm going to kick some mouse Ass.'"

Last Season, Terry Rakolta, a Detroit housewife, thought the show hit a little too close to home. Objecting to references to masturbation, good sex, bad sex, adult sex, adolescent promiscuity, bowel movements, menstruation and TV Dinners, she led a campaign to get "Married With Children" taken off the Air. She appealed to advertisers and asked them to withdraw their support. But after a brief hassle, all she got was an apology from the president of Coca-Cola and a crate of Coke. "The show won't be toned down," Says Sagal, who has her own rock band and, at varying times in her career, has been a back-up singer for Bette Midler, Etta James, and Bob Dylan." Threats just Spur us on.

"People don't understand what would happen to them if we got pulled off the air," she says. "The fans are so passionate about the Show they would go and kill these people. I swear to God."

During the Summer, the cast played in a charity softball game against L.A radio Station KNAC. The bleachers weren't big enough to hold all the fans. And after the game, The Bundy's were stormed for autographs, most shamelessly by members of Motley Crue, Anthrax, Queensryche and Guns N' Roses. "That's our audience, bowlers and rockers," says Christina Applegate. Off-screen, Applegate is far from the slutty sex bomb whose pin-up poster sold 100,000 copies in it's first two weeks and whos fan mail arrives in trucks. She's soft-spoken, demure, wears sweatpants, reeboks and no make-up. She idolizes Janis Joplin. She also thinks of her Character, Kelly as the last American Virgin. 'We like to make people think she's wild. But Maybe she doesn't do everything people

thinks she does. That's left up to your imagination."

The Bundy's are rehearsing scenes for the season premier. "I think we're successful," says Sagal, "Because so much TV presumes that people are stupid. And people aren't buying the pabulum quite as readily as they used to. As the scene from "Hot off The Grille" Closes, Al Bundy needs more ashes for the barbecue. Next door, his neighbor Marcie cradles the urn containing the charred remains of her dead aunt.

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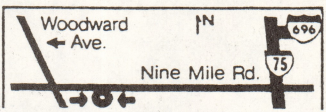

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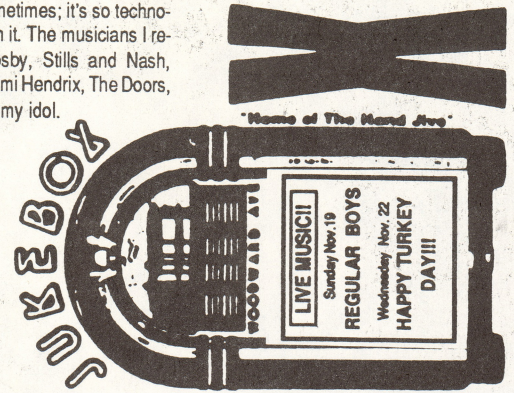
by today's music sometimes; it's so techno-pop," I can't deal with it. The musicians I respect most are Crosby, Stills and Nash, Buffalo Springfield, Jimi Hendrix, The Doors, Jamnis Joplin-She's my idol.



What is your fascination with the Sixties?
Well, I used to look like the biggest flower child ever. I still have lots of velvets and flowery dresses I used to wear. Now I'm just into Jeans & t-Shirts. There was just so much more passion in the Sixties than there is now.

Do you have any tips for teens?
Yes. First of all, don't get involved in drugs. I know kids have heard that a million, trillion times, but I've seen too many people I know get screwed up on that. It is really a bad thing. Be careful!!!

Is there anything you'd like to say to your fans and admirers?
Just "Thank you." Without fans and everybody, none of this would be happening. Thank you, I'm happy. ■

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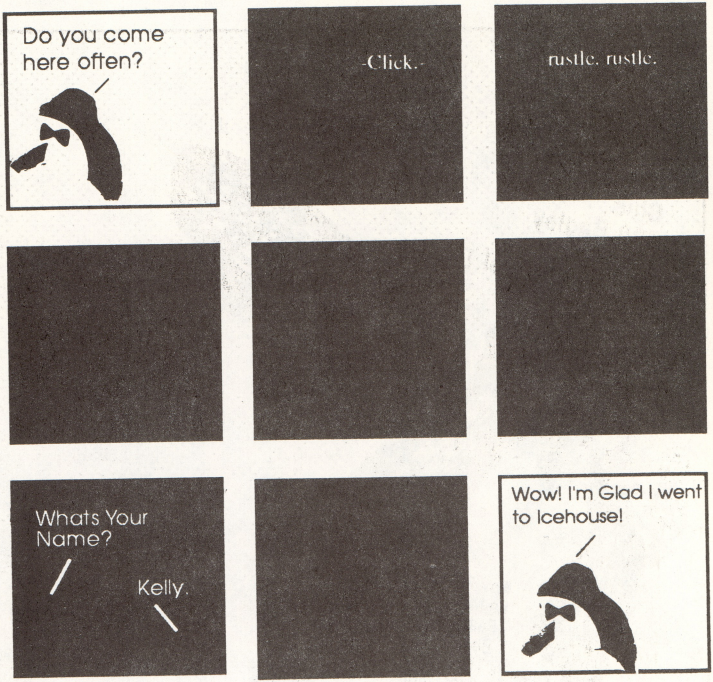

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By The Barfly

It's not <u>what</u> you know, or <u>who</u> you know... It's <u>what</u> you know about <u>who</u> you know!

Zippy was right, if you want to make it big in Hollywoodland- you've got to be born with an embarrassing name. We are all familiar with the big stars who have changed their name like, for instance David Bowie's real name was David Jones and was changed to avoid confusion with the (then) more popular T.V. and Recording Superstar Davey Jones of the Monkees fame. But what about those local famous (and not so famous) local celebrities we've just grown to know and love (?), Well, at least grown to accept their name change, often forgetting their original name their parents so lovingly blessed them with- Maybe YOU have, but Not the Micro Times, WE haven't forgotten those long lost bits of trivial blackmail!

Tops on the list has to be "Stirling"... No, that is not his real name, in case you haven't have already of guessed. Just call him **Aldon Walker the Third** the next time you see him. I don't know about you, but the only time I've seen numbers attached to the end of a name was in Gilligan's Island. Poor little Aldon- 'Walker" is not even his <u>real</u> last name, He was adopted by a Grosse Pointe family, and unfortunately we are unable to come up with with a name for his real parents.

At least Funsters Vile, Gore, Haite, Arnette, and rocker Monster, have a sense of humor... King Jerry's real name is Jerry, but that where reality ends and the fun begins! You can look him up (or pick him up off the floor) under the last name of **"Peterson"**. Who cares about Katie's real name, nobody knows her anyway (Sorry katie, I still think you're a sweetheart though!) Little Monster, Karen grew up in West Bloomfield and you can see her Yearbook picture if you look up **Karen Futernik**- No she is not wearing black. And then there are those who are lucky enough to be born with such kool names as "Christian **<u>Gore</u>**", "Kim **<u>Webb</u>**" (Perfect if you know her!) and **Myron Steinberg**- Alias Scott Campbell.

Other local celebrities playing the name game: are Wally Palmer of the Romantics, whose real name was Vlad Polmaychek (He is however; undergoing serious thoughts about changing it back- due to the current rise in popularity and influence of the Ruski's in Western Culture). And Bobby East of the Bobby East Band, for you older rockers is really Robert Bazaki.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving, and remember... be careful of food products with assumed names (krab, Spam, etc.) they are definitely <u>not</u> meant for Thanksgiving!

Personals

Beautiful Bi Female seeks beautiful Bi White or Oriental female 18-30, to help me create a memorable and erotic birthday (and Beyond?) for my boyfriend. Photo please. # 3005.

Beginning Lesbian, 21 seeking GF Butch to share new life. Nationality Unimportant. Let's get aquainted. # 3010.

Hot Babe seeks same:

Beautiful experimental Bi WF desires real live sexy girl with height, shape, experience, brains. #3020.

Striking good looks. GWF, 25, model. New to Detroit, into seduction, seeking attractive female to show me a good time. Photo/note rewarded. Write #3025.

SWF, 32, Attached, attractive, petite, feminine blonde, seeks attractive bi-female to satisfy curiosities, desires. #3040.

SBF, Tres Joli voudrais faire la connaissance d'un femme gentille qui pari le francais courament. J'aime le theatre, cinema, restaurants, la plage, et bonne conversation. #3045.

Cautious SWF, Tall, professional, 40. Enjoys most arts. Exploring reality/hope to find it good. Seek gently humorous, kind, girlfriend, 35-55, for committed relationship. #3050.

Pretty GWF, Blonde/blue, petite, struggling rock singer is seeking masculine English musician, 25-35, Intelligent, Dark Haired, loves L.A. , Pythons, New Music, PBS and a pint. Wants permanent, committed love relationship. Write with photo and phone.. #3090.

Bubbly Blonde,

Blue eyed, business lady, 5'4, seeks attractive, nice person 30-39, who is independant, stable. For lasting relationship. #3055.

Attractive comedy writer seeks intelligent, successful leading woman to further the plot. Non Smokers, 26-39. photo/phone. #3060.

You don't have to shave your legs... Me: GWF. you are 91/2 weeks SWF. Submit photo/phone/ or call. #3065.

Blue eyed, Fair skinned beauty, trim SWF, seeks romantic GWF over 5'10, 25-35, with humor and charm. Write #3070

Attractive, Mysterious Oriental in 30's desires sincere successful woman for honest romantic relationship. #3075.

Executive type soul mate wanted 25-45 by young 38 mother with two daughters. Write #3080.

Roseanne Barr's Body, cinnamon complexion, DBGF, 38, seeks GWF for companionship and meaningful relationship. # 3085.

In Charge Type GWF 27-44, Smart, funny secure, the monagamous marrying kind, who's romantic, creative, loving and delights in expressing his consistant, fun and real, firm-handed charm and authority! Please no stupid sexist bullies or lying, married, pseudo-single slimes. For SWF, 39, 5'2 brn/blu, pretty, independent yet traditional, very giving, sweet and sensual, spiritual and spirited, needs you! Write #3085.

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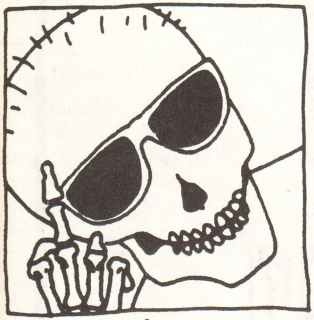

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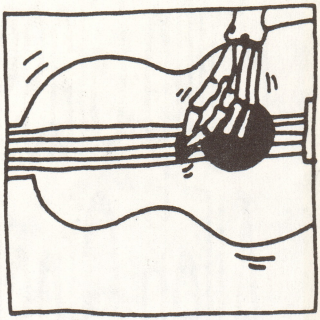

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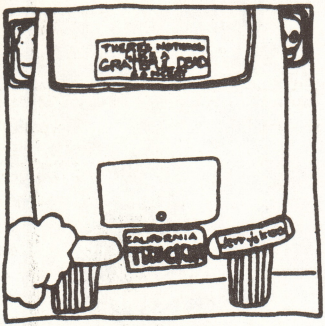

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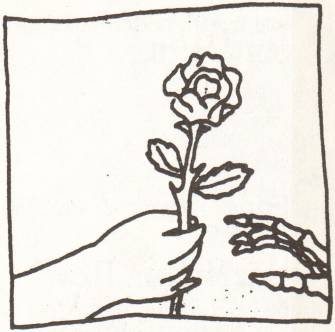

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